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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of )  
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RASHMI K. SHAH, THOMAS (NMI) MIKUS, and )  
PETTAI KRISHNA SHANKAR )  
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Serial No. 09/168,770 )  
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Filed October 8, 1998 )  
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FLAMELESS COMBUSTOR PROCESS HEATER )  
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Group Art: 1764

Examiner: Basia Anna Ridley

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Sir:

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated November 2, 2004, of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-7, 14-18, and 20-24. The rejection of each of these claims is herewith appealed.

Please charge the fee of \$340 to Deposit Account No. 19-1800, Shell Oil Company.

Respectfully submitted,

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